

2014 TURKEY HUNTING REGULATIONS

Daily limit is one gobbler, **two gobblers per season**. Taking of hens (including bearded hens) is prohibited. Still hunting only. Use of dogs, baiting, electronic calling devices and live decoys is illegal. Turkeys may be hunted with shotguns, including muzzleloading shotguns, using shot not larger than #2 lead or BB steel shot, crossbow and bow and arrow but by no other means. Shooting turkeys from a moving or stationary vehicle is prohibited. Shotguns capable of holding more than three shells prohibited. The running of coyote with dogs is prohibited in all turkey hunting areas during the open turkey season.

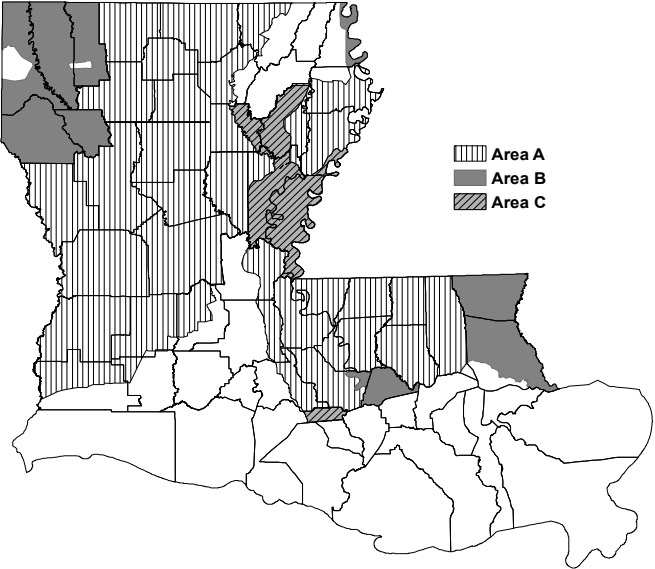
No person shall hunt, trap or take turkeys by the aid of baiting or on or over a baited area. Baiting means placing, exposing, depositing or scattering of corn (shelled, shucked or unshucked), wheat or other grain, salt or other feed so as to constitute a lure, attraction or enticement to, on or over any areas where hunters are attempting to take turkeys. A baited area is any area where corn (shelled, shucked or unshucked), wheat or other grain, salt or other feed capable of luring, attracting or enticing turkeys is directly or indirectly placed, exposed, deposited, distributed or scattered. Such areas remain baited areas for 15 days following complete removal of all such corn, wheat or other grain, salt or other feed. Wildlife agents are authorized to close such baited areas and to place signs in the immediate vicinity designating closed zones and dates of closures. No person hunting turkeys more than 200 yards from a baited area will be in violation of the turkey baiting regulation.

Prior to hunting turkey, all turkey hunters, regardless of age or license status, must obtain turkey tags and have them in their possession while turkey hunting. Upon killing a turkey, hunters must **immediately** attach a carcass tag to the turkey before it is moved from the site of the kill, and must document the kill on the turkey harvest report card. **Hunters are also required to report their kill** within seven days of harvest by using the kill validation web site, *www.wlf.louisiana.gov*, or by calling 1-866-484-4805.

No person shall take live wild turkeys or their eggs from the wild. No person shall possess captive live wild turkeys or their eggs, regardless of origin, without a valid game breeder license.

STATEWIDE TURKEY HUNTING AREAS  
SHOOTING HOURS

One-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.  
Area A: March 22 - April 20  
Area B: March 22 - April 13  
Area C: March 22 - April 6  
Private Land Youth & Physically Challenged Hunt:  
March 15-16  
(Open in Areas A, B and C)



2014 TURKEY HUNTING SEASON

*Open Only in the Following Areas*

AREA A: MARCH 22 - APRIL 20

*All of the following parishes are open:*

Beauregard, Bienville, Claiborne (Exception: see federal lands hunting schedule for Kisatchie National Forest dates), East Baton Rouge, East Feliciana, Grant (Exception: see federal lands hunting schedule for Kisatchie National Forest dates), Jackson, LaSalle, Lincoln, Livingston, Natchitoches (Exception: see federal land hunting schedule for Kisatchie National Forest dates), Pointe Coupee (Exception: see Sherburne WMA for special season dates on all state, federal and private lands within Sherburne boundaries), Rapides (Exception: see federal land hunting schedule for Kisatchie National Forest dates), Sabine, St. Helena, Tangipahoa, Union, Vernon (Exception: see federal land hunting schedule for Kisatchie National Forest dates), West Baton Rouge, West Feliciana (including Raccourci Island), Winn (Exception: see federal land hunting schedule for Kisatchie National Forest dates).

*Portions of the following parishes are open:*

**Allen** - North of LA 104, west of LA 26 south of junction of LA 104 to US 190, north of US 190 east of Kinder, west of US 165 south of Kinder.

**Avoyelles** - That portion bounded on the east by the Atchafalaya River, on the north by Red River to the Brouillette Community, on the west by LA 452 from Brouillette to LA 1, on the south by LA 1, eastward to Hamburg, thence by the West Atchafalaya Basin Protection levee southward.

**Calcasieu** - North of I-10

**Caldwell** - West of Ouachita River southward to Catahoula Parish line.

**Catahoula** - South and west of the Ouachita River from the Caldwell Parish line southward to LA 8 at Harrisonburg, north and west of LA 8 from Harrisonburg to the LaSalle Parish line. ALSO that portion lying east of LA 15.

**Evangeline** - North and west of LA 115, north of LA 106 west of LA 115 to US 167, west of US 167 south to LA 10, north of LA 10 west of US 167 to LA 13, west of LA 13 south of LA 10 to Mamou and north of LA 104 west of Mamou.

**Franklin** - That portion lying east of LA 17 and east of LA 15 from its juncture with LA 17 at Winnsboro.

**Iberville** - West of the Mississippi River. **EXCEPTION:** see Sherburne WMA for special season dates on all state, federal and private lands within Sherburne boundaries.

**Jefferson Davis** - North of US 190 from junction with LA 26 to Kinder, west of US 165 and north of I-10 west from junction of US 165.

**Madison** - That portion lying east of US 65 from East Carroll Parish line to US 80 and south of US 80. Also, all lands east of the main channel of the Mississippi River.

**Morehouse** - West of US 165 from the Arkansas line to the junction of LA 140 at Bonita, north and west of LA 140 to junction of LA 830-4 (Cooper Lake Road), west of LA 830-4 to US 165 at Bastrop, south of US 165 to junction of LA 3051 (Grabault Road) south of LA 3051 to junction of LA 138, west of LA 138 to junction of LA 134, north of LA 134 to the Ouachita Parish line.

**Ouachita** - All west of the Ouachita River. That portion east of the Ouachita River lying north of US 80 to LA 139, west of LA 139 to LA 134, north of LA 134 to the Morehouse Parish line, south of the Morehouse Parish line, and east of the Ouachita River.

**Richland** - That portion south of US 80 and east of LA 17.

**St. Landry** - That portion bounded on the west by the West Atchafalaya Basin Protection Levee and on the east by the Atchafalaya River. (EXCEPTION: The Indian Bayou Area, see Federal Lands Hunting Schedule for the Indian Bayou Area dates).

**Upper St. Martin** - All within the Atchafalaya Basin. (EXCEPTION: Sherburne WMA and Indian Bayou area, see WMA Turkey Hunting schedule for special season dates on all state, federal and private lands within Sherburne WMA boundaries and see Federal Lands Hunting Schedule for Indian Bayou dates.)

**Tensas** - That portion west of US 65 from the Concordia Parish line to its juncture with LA 128, north of LA 128 to St. Joseph; west and north of LA 605, 604, and 3078 northward to Port Gibson Ferry. Also all lands east of the main channel of the Mississippi River.

AREA B: MARCH 22 - APRIL 13

*All of the following parishes are open:*

Ascension, DeSoto, Red River, St. Tammany, Washington.

*Portions of the following parishes are open:*

**Bossier** - All open except that portion bounded on the north by I-20, on the west by LA 164, on the south by LA 164 and on the east by the Webster Parish line.

**Caddo** - All open except that portion north of I-20 from the Texas state line to I-220. West of I-220 to LA 1. West of LA 1 to Caddo Lake. South of Caddo Lake to the Texas state line.

**East Carroll** - East of US 65 from Arkansas state line to Madison Parish line.

**Iberville** - All east of the Mississippi River.

**Webster** - All open except that portion bounded on the north by I-20, on the east by US 371, on the south by LA 164 and on the west by the Bossier Parish line (EXCEPTION: See Federal Lands Hunting Schedule for Kisatchie National Forest dates).

AREA C: MARCH 22 - APRIL 6

*All of the following parish is open:*

Concordia.

*Portions of the following parishes are open:*

**Caldwell** - All east of the Ouachita River.

**Catahoula** - All of the parish EXCEPT for that portion located in Area A.

**Franklin** - West of LA 17 from the Richland Parish line southward to Winnsboro, west of LA 15 southward to the Catahoula Parish line.

**Iberia** - East of the West Atchafalaya Basin Protection Levee.

**Richland** - West of LA 17 from Franklin Parish line to Ringle Rd., south of Ringle Rd. to Ferguson Rd., south of Ferguson Rd. to Little Rd., south of Little Rd. to Big Creek, east of Big Creek to Franklin Parish line.

**Tensas** - East and south of US. 65 from Concordia Parish line to LA 128, south of LA 128 to St. Joseph, east and south of LA 605, 604 and 3078 northward to Port Gibson Ferry.

2014 WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA  
TURKEY HUNTING REGULATIONS

GENERAL

The following rules and regulations concerning management, protection and harvest of wildlife have been officially approved and adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission in accordance with the authority provided in Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, Section 109 of Title 56. Failure to comply with these regulations will subject the individual to citation and/or expulsion from the management area.

**All roads including trails and roads designated as ATV only trails shall be closed to ATVs from March 1 - Aug. 31 unless otherwise specified.**

ATVs are prohibited from two hours after sunset to 3:00 a.m. ATV off-road or off-trail travel is prohibited. ATVs, ATCs and motorcycles cannot be left overnight on WMAs EXCEPT in designated camping areas. Certain trails may be open during this time period to provide access for fishing or other purposes. These trails will be marked by signs at the entrance of the trail. Otherwise, only walk-in hunting is permitted (bicycles permitted). All ATV trails on Jackson-Bienville WMA will be open for use by holders of Physically Challenged Hunter Permits (wheelchair bound classification only) during the special physically challenged hunter (wheelchair bound classification) turkey season.

Bag limits on WMAs are part of the season bag limit. Only one turkey is allowed to be taken during special spring lottery hunts.

WMAs with youth lottery hunts are closed to all activities except turkey hunting by authorized youth hunt participants, shooting range use, and fishing on the day(s) of the youth hunt.

PERMITS

**Self-clearing Permits:** All turkey hunts, including lottery hunts, are self-clearing. Hunters must check in daily by obtaining a permit from a self-clearing station prior to hunting. The self-clearing permit must be in the hunter's possession while hunting. Upon completion of each day's hunt, the hunter must check out by completing and depositing the hunter report portion of the permit in the check-out box at a self-clearing station before exiting the WMA.

**Lottery Hunts:** All or a portion of the turkey season on some WMAs are restricted to those persons selected as a result of the pre-application lottery. All WMA youth hunts, EXCEPT April 12-13 on Jackson-Bienville and Bodcau, are lottery hunts. Deadline for receiving complete applications in the Baton Rouge office for all lottery hunts is 4:30 p.m. Feb. 7, 2014. An application fee of \$5 must be sent with each application. Applicants for WMA youth lottery hunts must be at least 8 years old on the day of the hunt. Applicants may submit only one application per lottery hunt type (youth and regular season lottery hunts) and may be selected for one Spring WMA Turkey Lottery Hunt per type annually. Submitting more than one spring hunt application per hunt type will result in disqualification. Contact any field office or the LDWF website for applications. Hunters must abide by self-clearing permit requirements. Hunters chosen for WMA lottery hunts may be accompanied by one person. The person accompanying a lottery hunter may not possess a firearm/bow or take a turkey and must remain within a distance that allows normal voice contact with the lottery hunter at all times. Youths chosen for special lottery youth-only hunts may be provided with a guide. One person may accompany the youth and guide, but may not hunt. Requests for information on WMA regulations, permits, lottery hunt applications and maps may be directed to any field office or visit our website at: *www.wlf.louisiana.gov*.



WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA PHYSICALLY CHALLENGED (WHEELCHAIR BOUND) HUNT

Jackson-Bienville WMA will be open April 14-20 to physically challenged hunters. Hunters must possess a Physically Challenged Hunter Permit with wheelchair classification. During this special hunt, ATVs may be used by physically challenged hunters on all designated ATV trails in accordance with the Physically Challenged Hunter Permit. Hunters must abide by self-clearing permit requirements. Contact field offices for a Physically Challenged Hunter Permit application.

PRIVATE LAND YOUTH & PHYSICALLY CHALLENGED HUNT REGULATIONS

Statewide Youth Turkey and Physically Challenged Season on private lands shall be the weekend prior to the statewide turkey season (March 15-16 in Areas A, B and C). Only youths 17 or younger or **hunters possessing a Physically Challenged Hunter Permit with wheelchair classification may hunt**. Youths must possess a hunter safety certification or proof of successful completion of a hunter safety course.

Youths must be accompanied by one adult 18 years of age or older. If the accompanying adult is in possession of a hunter safety certification, a valid hunting license or proof of successful completion of a hunter safety course, this requirement is waived for the youth.

Adults accompanying youth may not possess a firearm or bow. Youths may possess only one firearm or bow while hunting. Legal weapons and shot are the same as described for the turkey season.

The supervising adult shall maintain visual and voice contact with the youth at all times; EXCEPT properly licensed youths 16-17 years old and youths 12 years old or older who have successfully completed a hunter safety course may hunt without a supervising adult.

Only one gobbler per day may be taken and any gobbler taken by the hunter during this special season counts towards their seasonal bag limit of two. Contact the Hammond field office for a Physically Challenged Hunter Permit application.

FEDERAL LANDS TURKEY HUNTING SCHEDULE

Kisatchie National Forest (KNF):

- Caney Ranger District: March 22- April 6
- All remaining KNF lands: March 22 - April 13 (including Catahoula and Red Dirt National Wildlife Management Preserves).
- Youth Only: March 15-16 on Caney, Calcasieu (except Vernon Unit lands within Fort Polk-Vernon WMA), and Kisatchie Ranger Districts.
- Youth Only: March 15 on Catahoula and Winn ranger districts.

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers:

- Indian Bayou:
  - March 15-16, Youth & Physically Challenged Lottery Only Hunt
  - Lottery hunt only on March 22-23 and March 29-30.
  - Contact USACE at 337-585-0853 for further information
- Old River Control and Lock Areas: March 22 - April 6. Contact USACE 225-492-2690 for further information.

National Wildlife Refuges (Contact U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for information regarding NWR hunts):

- Bogue Chitto NWR: March 15-16 (youth only) and March 22 - April 13.
- Lake Ophelia NWR: March 15 (youth only) and March 22 - April 6, hunt ends at 12 p.m. each day
- Tensas NWR: March 15-16 (youth only), March 22 - April 6
- Upper Ouachita NWR: March 15 (youth lottery only)

WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA TURKEY HUNTING SCHEDULE<sup>1</sup>

WMA	Non-Lottery Season Dates	Permit Required	Lottery Dates <sup>2</sup>
Attakapas	March 22-30	Self-clearing	None
Bayou Macon	None	Self-clearing	April 12-13
Big Lake	March 22 - April 6	Self-clearing	None
Bodcau	March 22 - April 6 Youth Only: April 12-13	Self-clearing	None
Boeuf	March 22-30	Self-clearing	None
Clear Creek	March 31 - April 20	Self-clearing	March 22-23 March 29-30
Camp Beauregard	March 22-30	Self-clearing	None
Dewey Wills	None	Self-clearing	March 22-23 March 29-30
Fort Polk-Vernon	March 22 - April 20	Self-clearing	None
Grassy Lake	March 22-30	Self-clearing	None
Hutchinson Creek	March 22 - April 20	Self-clearing	None
Jackson-Bienville	March 22 - April 6 Youth Only: April 12-13	Self-clearing	None
Lake Ramsey	March 22 - April 6	Self-clearing	None
Little River	March 22 - April 6	Self-clearing	None
Loggy Bayou	None	Self-clearing	April 11-13
Peason Ridge	March 22 - April 20	Self-clearing	None
Pomme de Terre	April 16-20	Self-clearing	None
Richard K. Yancey	March 22 - April 6	Self-clearing	None
Sabine	None	Self-clearing	March 28-30 April 11-13
Sandy Hollow <sup>3</sup>	March 22 - April 6	Self-clearing	None
Sherburne <sup>4</sup>	March 24-26	Self-clearing	March 22-23
Sicily Island	None	Self-clearing	March 22-24 March 25-27 March 28-30 March 31 - April 2 April 3-6
Tangipahoa Parish School Board	March 22 - April 20	Self-clearing	None
Tunica Hills North Tract & South Tract <sup>5</sup>	April 7-13	Self-clearing	March 22-23 March 29-30 April 5-6
Union	March 31 - April 6	Self-clearing	March 29-30
Walnut Hills	March 22 - April 20	Self-clearing	None
West Bay	None	Self-clearing	March 22-23 March 29-30 April 5-6

<sup>1</sup> Only those Wildlife Management Areas listed have a turkey hunting season. All other areas are closed.

<sup>2</sup> The deadline for receiving applications for all Spring Turkey Lottery Hunts on WMAs is Feb. 7, 2014.

<sup>3</sup> No turkey hunting within 100 yards of food plots identified by two yellow paint rings around the nearest tree.

<sup>4</sup> All turkeys harvested on Sherburne WMA must be weighed and checked at WMA headquarters.

WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA LOTTERY YOUTH HUNTS

WMA	Lottery Youth Hunt Date
Big Lake	March 15
Bodcau	March 15-16
Clear Creek	March 15
Fort Polk-Vernon/Peason Ridge	March 15
Grassy Lake	March 15
Jackson-Bienville	March 15-16
Loggy Bayou	April 5-6
Pearl River	April 5
Pomme de Terre	April 5
Sherburne	March 15
Sicily Island	March 15
Spring Bayou	April 5
Tunica Hills	March 15
Union	March 15-16
West Bay	March 15

FIELD OFFICE LOCATIONS	
Hammond	42371 Phyllis Ann Drive, Hammond, LA 70403 985-543-4777
Lake Charles	1213 N. Lakeshore Drive, Lake Charles, LA 70601 337-491-2575
Minden	9961 Hwy. 80, Minden, LA 71055 318-371-3050
Monroe	368 CenturyLink Drive, Monroe, LA 71203 318-343-4044
Opelousas	5652 Hwy. 182, Opelousas, LA 70570 337-948-0255
Pineville	1995 Shreveport Hwy., Pineville, LA 71360 318-487-5885

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